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Sir:

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In accordance with the duty of candor and good faith imposed by 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and means of complying therewith according to 37 C.F.R. §§1.97 and 1.98, the references listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 are called to the attention of the Examiner in connection with the above-identified patent application. Copies of the cited references have already been supplied in connection with U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/838,968, filed April 20, 2001. The present application is a Continuation-In-Part application of 09/838,968 and claims the benefit thereof under 35 U.S.C. § 120. Therefore, under 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(d) copies of the cited references need not be provided herewith. If additional copies of these references are desired, please contact the undersigned and they will be forwarded

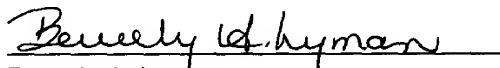
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The Examiner is urged to consider the cited references and to make an independent decision with respect to their materiality.

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Respectfully submitted,

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